

State Interagency Council for Services and Supports to Children and Transition-age Youth (SIAC)



*Promoting healthy children and transition-age youth across Kentucky:
Building a collaborative system of care to promote children's and transition-age youth's social, emotional and behavioral well-being where they live,
learn, work, and play.*

Alignment with System of Care Approach

The SIAC operates in accordance with System of Care (SOC) approach and encourages community partners to do the same. Kentucky's SOC expansion has evolved similarly to federal changes.

*The system of care concept holds that all **life domains** and needs should be considered rather than addressing mental health treatment needs in isolation, and so systems of care are organized around overlapping dimensions.*

Pires, S. (2002). *Building Systems of Care: A Primer*



System of Care

What it IS

- Organizational framework for system reform
- Value base for systems & services
- A guide to implement in a way that is flexible for innovation
- Adaptive based on context and environment
- Applicable to different age groups, levels of need, different populations, agencies, and cultural groups

What it is NOT

- Exact model to be replicated
- Single program
- Discreet treatment or clinical intervention that directly improves child and family outcomes without accompanying ***changes at the practice level***



System Change + Practice Change
= IMPROVED OUTCOMES!

System of Care Definition*

- A spectrum of **effective** community-based **services and supports** for children and transition-age youth (TAY), with or at risk of behavioral health needs or other challenges, and their families that...
 - Is organized into a **coordinated network**,
 - **Builds meaningful partnerships with families and youth**, and
 - Addresses their cultural and linguistic needs



...in order to help them function better at home, in school, in the community, and throughout life.

System of Care Core Values*

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System of Care
IS:



*Stroul, B., Blau, G., & Friedman, R. (2010). Updating the system of care concept and philosophy. Washington, DC: Georgetown University Center for Child and Human Development, National Technical Assistance Center for Children's Mental Health.

**Adopted by Kentucky

System of Care Guiding Principles*

Children, Youth, & Families have access to:



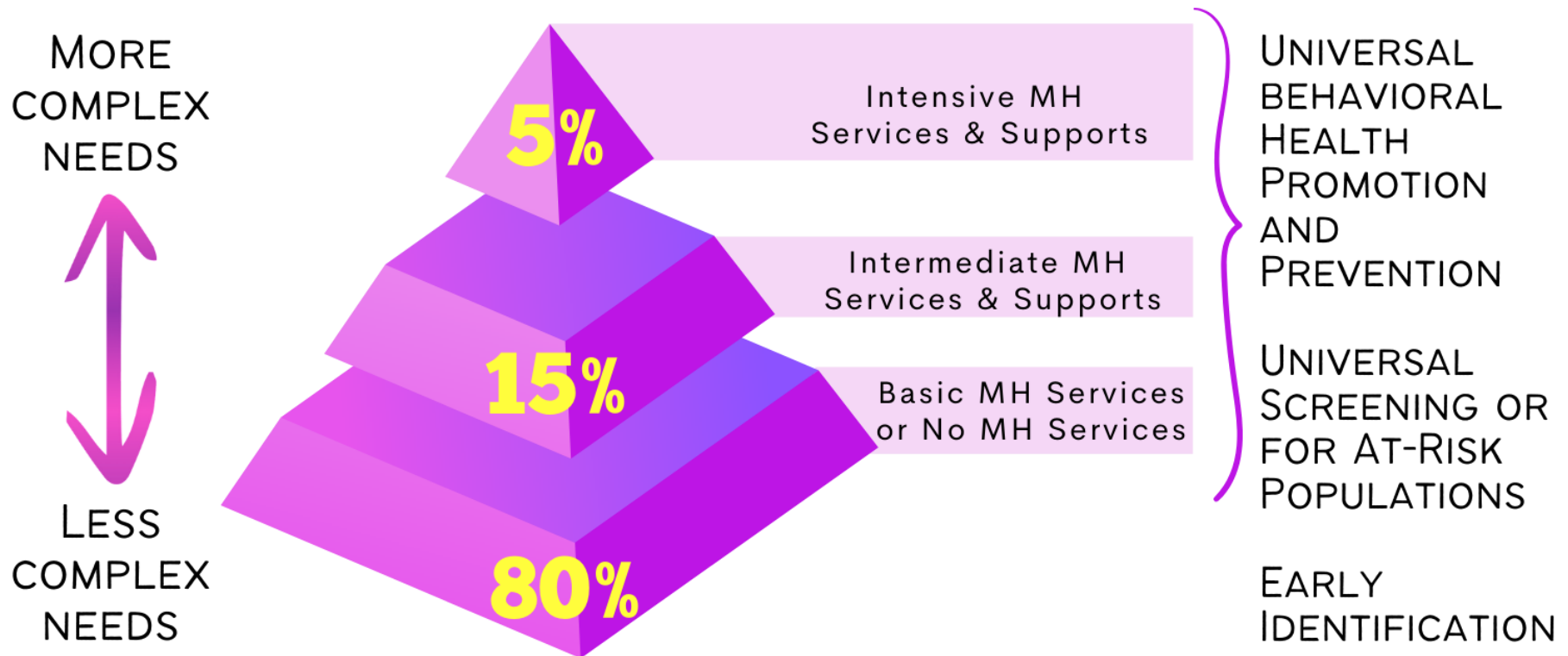
- A comprehensive array of services and supports that are
 - Effective,
 - Community-based,
 - Developmentally appropriate,
 - Evidenced-informed and promising practices,
 - Least restrictive, and
 - Provided without discriminationwhile protecting their rights
- Effective care management
- Individualized, strength-based service planning
- A continuum of behavioral health services from promotion to recovery
- A system that
 - Supports provider accountability and quality improvement, and
 - Partners with families and youth

Evolution of the SOC Approach

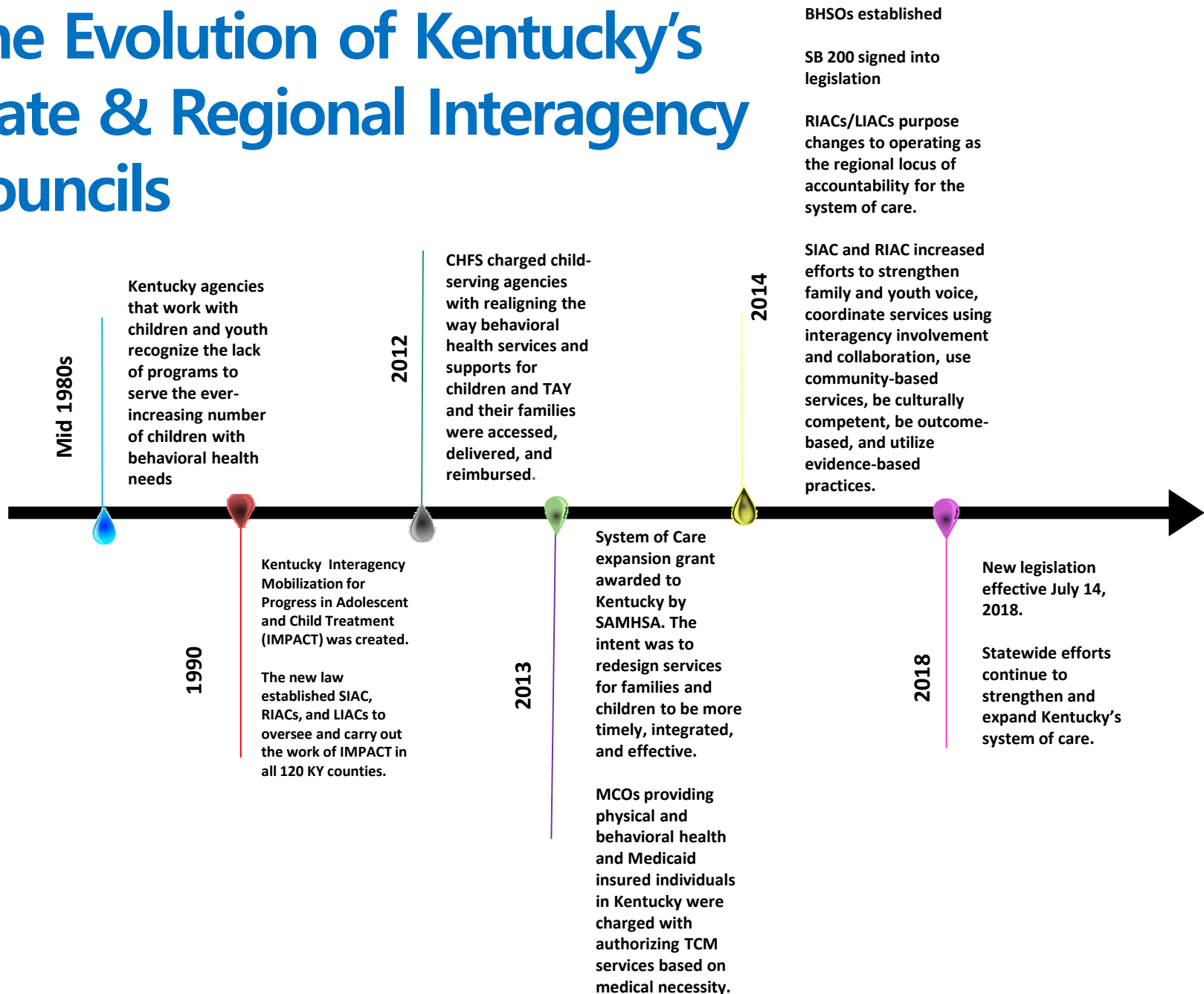


- Population
- Services & Supports
- Practice Approach
- Evidence Base
- Strategy
- Health Integration
- Public Health Approach
- Mental Health Equity

Public Health Approach



The Evolution of Kentucky's State & Regional Interagency Councils



SIAC & RIAC Mission

Promoting healthy children and transition-age youth across Kentucky: Building a collaborative system of care (SOC) to promote children's and transition-age youth's social, emotional and behavioral well-being where they live, learn, work, and play.



SIAC at-a-glance

- History: Statutorily created body in **1990**
- **Monthly meeting** of membership:
 - Commissioner-level representatives from 12 state agencies (across 5 Cabinets) that serve children, transition-age youth, and their families;
 - Nonprofit Family Organization;
 - Youth Representative;
 - Parent Representative; and
 - Subcommittee for Equity & Justice for All Youth (SEJAY).

SIAC Mandated Membership

KRS 200.505



SIAC Purpose

Per KRS 200.505 (effective July 14, 2018)

- Make annual recommendations to the Governor and Legislative Research Commission
- Direct RIACs to:
 - Operate as regional locus of accountability for the SOC
 - Participate in Family Accountability, Intervention, and Response (FAIR) Teams
- Assess effectiveness of RIACs
- Meet at least monthly
- Develop a comprehensive array of services and supports
- Adopt interagency agreements as necessary



SIAC Standing Committees

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Standing Committees

- Disabilities
- Outreach & Promotion
- Racial, Ethnic, & Equity Disparities
- Social & Emotional Health & Well-being
- Service Array



Meet monthly to work on assigned tasks based SIAC's strategic plan goals

Anyone can join

Quarterly updates to SIAC



SIAC Successes

Engagement



In 2020, SIAC switched to virtual meetings, which led to increased:

- stakeholder access
- statewide participation
- engagement in Standing Committees



Racial Equity

- *5 Justice for All: Moving from Protest to Policy* Panel Discussions
- *Substance Use Disorder Through the Lens of Race & Equity* one-pager
- Cross-agency data presentations
- Introduction of GARE's* racial equity impact assessment



Lived Experience

- Voting Members of SIAC and participants in each Standing Committee
- Featured in quarterly SIAC Newsletter
- Surveyed to gather input on Access to Services
- Monthly LEAD KY (Lived Experience Authentically Driven in Kentucky) meetings to implement strategic plan

KENTUCKY CABINET FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES

DEPARTMENT FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH,
DEVELOPMENTAL AND INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES



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Community Mental Health Centers

Facilities

State Interagency Council

Overview

The State Interagency Council for Services and Supports to Children and Transition-age Youth (SIAC) is a group consisting of state agency representatives, a youth, a parent of a child or transition-age youth with a behavioral health need, and a member of a nonprofit family organization.

SIAC oversees coordinated policy development, comprehensive planning, and collaborative budgeting for services and supports to children and transition-age youth with or at risk of developing behavioral health needs and their families. SIAC strives to design and implement a system of care that is youth- and family-driven, community-based, culturally- and linguistically-responsive, trauma-informed, and recovery-oriented. SIAC conducts monthly meetings that are open to the public.

Regional Interagency Councils (RIACs) operate as the locus of accountability for the system of care, providing a structure for coordination, planning and collaboration of services and supports at the local level to children, adolescents, and transition-age youth and their families, to help them function better at home, in school, in the community and throughout life.

There are 18 RIACs across the commonwealth. Each council is composed of members representing the following: Regional Community Mental Health Centers;

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Related Links

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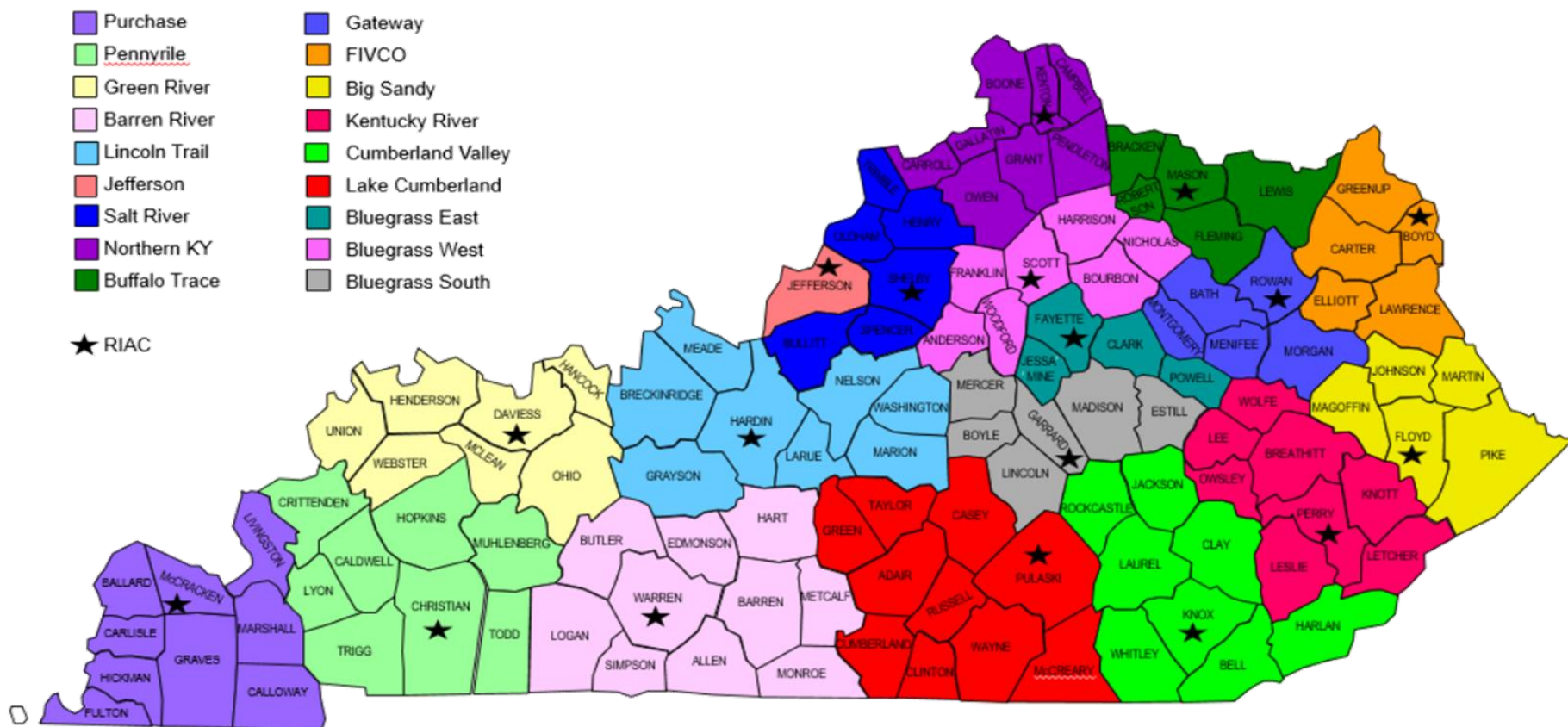
[SIAC Meeting Schedule](#)

[SIAC Meeting Summaries
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[SIAC Membership List](#)

- Dashboard created by Social Emotional Health & Wellbeing Standing Committee
- Meeting summaries
- Membership list
- Flyers & recordings from all *Justice For All* panel discussions
- SIAC Documents:
 - Highlights
 - Org Chart
 - Annual recommendations
 - Policies & Procedures
 - Youth & Parent Application
 - Link to SIAC Newsletter

KY RIACs



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RIAC Accountability

Per **KRS 200.505** State Interagency Council for Services and Supports to Children and Transition-age Youth (SIAC) shall:

- Direct each RIAC to
 - Operate as the regional locus of accountability for the system of care;
 - Participate on FAIR teams; and
- Assess effectiveness of RIACs



The SIAC and RIAC Administrators will make periodic site visits to RIAC meetings to:

- ✓ Provide coaching and support to RIACs in the development of the RIAC's Action Plan;
- ✓ Provide technical assistance and support around policies and procedures that support implementation of the Action Plan; and
- ✓ Ensure RIACs are implementing and periodically updating their regional Action Plans.

RIAC Successes

- RIAC Learning Series
- Resource sharing and collaboration among system of care partners
- Support during COVID to address emergent needs of children, youth, TAY, and their families
- Disaster resilience support for children, youth, & families impacted by natural disasters in the eastern part of the state
- Collaboration between RIAC & local physician offices to help decrease truancy and absenteeism
- Youth Mental Health First Aid trainings provided to school staff, coaches, and the community to promote suicide prevention & awareness
- RIAC members certified to provide QPR (Question, Persuade, and Refer) to system of care partners and community members to promote suicide prevention & awareness
- Resource campaigns to promote crisis services & independent living resources for youth transitioning out of foster care
- Provision of laptops to police and sheriff departments to support communication between youth and the Court Designated Workers after hours.
- Partnerships with MCOs



Questions?



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RIAC YouTube for archived trainings and Learning Series:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAPbIsjQXYnwJhMa_tPpamw